

HOUSE RESOLUTION 129
By Hood

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mary Nisbett Watts of
Rutherford County.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of
the passing of Mary Nisbett Watts; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional
who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for her fellow citizens in numerous
capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Rutherford County, Mrs. Watts was the daughter of the late Roy
and Pauline Prater Nisbett; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Murfreesboro Central High School and Middle Tennessee
State University, Mary Nisbett Watts served with acumen and alacrity for many years as a
teacher with Rutherford County Schools, in which position she earned the respect of her
colleagues and students alike for the exemplary quality of her work; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts was an active and devout member of the First Baptist Church,
which she served faithfully for many years as a Deacon; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts was an active member of the Murfreesboro community; a member of the Garden Lovers Garden Club, she even served as the President of this fine organization; and

WHEREAS, Mary Nisbett Watts was also deeply devoted to her family, and she always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts enjoyed the loving companionship of her husband, Allen Watts, and was the proud mother of Laura Watts, Roy Watts and his wife, Laurie, Sandra Pineault and her husband, Tony, and Joan Howell and her husband, Randy; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts will also be dearly and daily missed by her brother, Dr. Harry Nisbett, her sister, Betty Ruth Qualls, and her nine precious grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Watts leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we honor the memory of Mary Nisbett Watts, reflecting fondly upon her impeccable character and her stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mrs. Watts.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.